Poultry

Delaware growers produced 235 million broiler/roaster chickens in 2010. Pounds live weight in 2010 totaled a record high 1.63 billion pounds. The average live weight per bird was a record tying 6.9 pounds in 2010. Total value of birds raised was \$786 million, and the live weight price per pound was a record high 48 cents. Sussex County is the number one broiler producing county in the U.S. The 2010 U.S. production of birds was as 8.63 billion, up 1 percent from the 2009 production of 8.55 billion birds. Total live weight was up 3 percent to 49.16 billion pounds, while value of production increased 9 percent, to \$23.70 billion.

Broiler/Roaster Production and Value, Delaware, 2006 - 2010

Year	Number Broiler/Roasters	Avg. Liveweight per Bird	Production	Avg. Value per Pound	Total Value
	Million Birds	Pounds	Million pounds	Cents	Million dollars
2006	245	6.6	1,614	38.0	613
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2007	246	6.5	1,598	46.0	735
2008	243	6.5	1,579	46.0	726
2009	232	6.9	1,597	46.0	730
2010	235	6.9	1,630	48.0	786



